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Chicago Architecture Foundation Announces
Between States Exhibit for Chicago Architecture Biennial

More than 50 Chicago-based design teams will identify and transform an underappreciated space in one of Chicago’s neighborhoods

Chicago, IL (07.06.2017) — Chicago Architecture Foundation (CAF) has announced a major exhibition as part of its programming for the Chicago Architecture Biennial. *Between States*, running from September 19, 2017 to January 7, 2018 in CAF’s Atrium Gallery, is an ambitious showcase of 50 community-based design solutions to transform underappreciated and underperforming spaces in Chicago’s neighborhoods into rejuvenated civic anchors.

The exhibition is curated by Martin Felsen of UrbanLab and participating design teams include:

- Adrian Smith + Gordon
- Gill Architecture
- AECOM
- ARUP
- Bailey Edward
- bKL Architecture
- Booth Hansen
- CannonDesign
- Cordogan, Clark & Associates
- Dirk Denison Architects
- eastlake studio
- Eckenhoff Saunders Architects
- Epstein
- Exp
- Farr Associates
- Forum Studio
- Future Firm
- Gensler
- Ghafari Associates
- Goetttsch Partners
- Hartshorne Plunkard Architecture
- HBRA Architects
- HDR
- Holabird & Root
- JAHN
- Legat Architects
- Lothan Van Hook
- Destefano Architecture
- Metter|Studio / Morris Architects, Planners
- Sheehan Nagle Hartray Architects
- Pappageorge Haymes Partners
- Perkins + Will Global
- RADA Architects
- Searl Lamaster Howe Architects
- Site Design Group
- SmithGroup JJR
- SMNG A
- Solomon Cordwell Buenz
- SOM
- Space Architects + Planners
- Stantec/MoNa
- STL Architects
- Terry Guen Design Associates
- Thornton Tomasetti
- Tom Brock Architect
- UrbanLab
- Valerio Dewalt Train Associates
- Vinci Hamp Architects
- Vladimir Radutny Architects
- von Weise Associates
- Weese Langley Weese
- Wight & Company, Lohan Studio
- Woodhouse Tinucci Architects
- Worn Jerabek Wiltse Architects
CAF has challenged these 50+ Chicago-based design teams to identify an underperforming or dilapidated physical asset in one of the city’s 50 wards, and imagine a process of transitioning it “between states” -- from a physical liability to rejuvenated civic anchor; from an aging or inactive facility to an economic catalyst embedded with visible public benefits. The designers will apply lessons learned from completed built projects outside Chicago, in a dialogue between Illinois and other U.S. states, which have responded innovatively and successfully to similar concerns and conditions.

This exhibition is the latest in CAF’s multi-year 50 Designers/50 Wards investigations, which explores how designers and residents might equally participate in identifying growth opportunities within all of Chicago’s neighborhoods. The exhibit will be free and open to the public at CAF’s Atrium Gallery at 224 S. Michigan Avenue. It will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily, from September 19, 2017 to January 7, 2018.

The Landscape Architecture Legacy of Dan Kiley, which opened on April 18th in CAF’s Lecture Hall off the Atrium Gallery, has been extended through September 19th, 2017. The Landscape Architecture Legacy of Dan Kiley is a traveling photographic exhibition and retrospective that features 40 vibrant photographs, which chronicle the current state of 27 of Kiley's more than 1,000 projects worldwide. This traveling exhibition was organized and curated by The Cultural Landscape Foundation® (TCLF), a non-profit established in 1998 that connects people to places. TCLF educates and engages the public to make our shared landscape heritage more visible, identify its value, and empower its stewards.

About the Chicago Architecture Foundation
The Chicago Architecture Foundation (CAF) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to inspiring people to discover why design matters. As an education leader in architecture and design, CAF offers tours, programs, exhibitions, field trips, curricula and online tools that are part of a dynamic learning journey for all ages. Proceeds from CAF’s tours and gift store, as well as grants, sponsorships and donations, support this educational mission. For more information, visit www.architecture.org.

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